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27 February 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Request for Assistance from the Senate

Disarmament Subcommittee

REFERENCE:

Memo to the OCI from Legislative Coussel dated 25 February 1958, same Subject

- 1. This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.
- 2. Miss Betty Goetz, Staft Director for the Schate Disarmament Subcommittee, called to indicate that the had been referred to the Agency after queries to the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense. She explained that the Chairman had approved a series of hearings on the disarmament situation, one phase of which would deal with auclear weapons tests and the ability of the U. S. to detect nuclear explosions.
- 3. In preparing the necessary stall work they were seeking the names of appropriate witnesses who could deal with the various phases of detection, including seismic, auditory, electromagnetic and radiation. For this purpose Miss Goeta had been led to believe that the Central Intelligence Agency was the appropriate coordinating Agency in the Executive Branch. Consequently, she wanted our assistance in indicating who would be proper witnesses for this purpose. Miss Coets was informed that we would look into the matter and contact the staff later in the week.

- 4. In view of the distinguished membership of the Subcommittee it seems doubtful that we could simply decline to assist. On the other hand it appears that this is a matter of joint concern to the intelligence community. Therefore, you may wish to discuss this matter at an appropriate IAC meeting.
- 5. In the meantime I recommend that Dr. Scoville and myself call on the Staff Director to attempt to clarify the specific areas of interest and develop other information on which to base a final decision.

JOHN S. WARNER Lagislative Counsel

The recommendation in paragraph 5 is approved.

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Director

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